



Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary
Monument, Cresson, PA

100th Anniversary of the Discovery of the North Pole by Cresson Area Native Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary April 6, 2009

The Inuit Culture and knowledge of Dog Sledding was very significant in Admiral Peary's successful exploration of the Arctic and reaching the North Pole.

As part of the commemoration of Admiral Peary's historical accomplishments, the Cresson Area Historical Association has partnered with Prince Gallitzin State Park, The Pennsylvania Dog Sled Club and Howin' Huskies to give the public, especially school aged children, the opportunity to experience a dog sled ride as the means of transportation used by Admiral Peary in the Arctic, and to see dog sled demonstrations.

The event will be February 28, and March 1, 2009 with tentative times of 9AM - 5PM at Muskrat Beach.

There will be a nominal fee of \$5.00 per person.

Although reservations are not required, they are recommended especially for those traveling a distance and may be made by calling 814.886.7311.

The Cresson Area Historical Association Inc suggests individuals and families consider the opportunity and experience as part of their Christmas gift planning by making reservations early. Payment would be due on the day and time of the rides.

Proclamation

ADMIRAL PEARY YEAR IN CAMBRIA COUNTY

WHEREAS, Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary famed Arctic explorer and discoverer of the North Pole was born in Cresson Area May 6, 1856, one hundred yards south of the point of the Peary Monument; and

SCHEDULED EVENTS

- April 6, 2008** Kickoff with film: **Admiral Robert E Peary: The Man and his Island**
www.pearyeagleisland.org
- May 6, 2008** **BirthDay Commemoration**, local and county Proclamations, Admiral Peary Year through May 6, 2009
- August 12, 2008** Picnic at Peary Park, film **Glory and Honor** at Mount Aloysius College
- September 2008- May 2009** Writing Festival, **Dream of the Far North**,
<http://www.pennhighlands.edu/library/Peary/index.htm>
Student projects on Admiral Peary's life, explorations and discovery.
- October 3,4,5** Booth at Cresson Area Heritage Days.
Opportunity for public show or tell items/memories
Repeat showing of films TBA
- February 28 & March 1, 2009** Sled dog rides and demonstration at Prince Gallitzin State Park Muskrat Beach Area
<http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/calendar/list.asp?intDivisionID=2>
<http://www.pennsleddogclub.com/> Details TBA
Reservations recommended (814.886.7311)
- April 6, 2009** Banquet. Recognition of Writing Festival finalists and student/school projects. Details TBA
- May 6, 2009** Closing ceremonies of Admiral Peary Year in Cambria County at Peary Park with renewed inspiration to dream, learn, explore and discover. Details TBA

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